2007

# February Ants







Ant bait station.

## Prevention and persistence are the keys to ant management.

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Prevent ants by Ant bait stations sealing cracks. are good IPM.	28	29	30	31	I	2	3
FEBRUARY TIPS							
<ul> <li>ANTS Use baits, not perimeter sprays. Early season baiting for ants is effective to keep ant populations from getting out of hand.</li> <li>Identify common ants (ucipm.ucdavis.edu/ Tools/Antkey).</li> </ul>	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<ul> <li>Outside control (starting in February)</li> <li>Locate nests and apply baits.</li> <li>Baiting outside keeps ants outside, but sometimes it is necessary to bait inside; place bait inside only where ants are entering the room.</li> </ul>	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
<ul> <li>Trim trees and eliminate access to buildings with caulking.</li> </ul>	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
<ul> <li>Inside control (year round)</li> <li>Clean up ants with soapy water, especially peppermint soap (HSA exempt).</li> </ul>							
<ul><li>Clean up food or items which may attract ants inside.</li><li>Use sugar baits year round.</li></ul>	25	26	27	28		2	3
<ul> <li>OTHER PESTS</li> <li>Gophers: trap! Population activity is increasing, mating will begin by the end of month.</li> </ul>							
<ul> <li>German cockroaches: monitor kitchens, and bait if detected.</li> <li>Ground squirrels: breeding season is the best</li> </ul>	RECORD OF MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES						
time to control.	DATE	TASK			RESULTS		

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# March

Turf Weeds





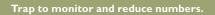
Water management is critical in spring.

# Proper care in spring results in turf that resists weed invasion all year.

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Annual bluegrass Healthy turf needs seed head.	25	26	27	28		2	3
TIPS							
SPRING TURF WEEDS  This is a good time to apply slow release organic fertilizers as recommended by a soil analysis  – avoid water-soluble fertilizers that can leach as nitrate into groundwater.	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<ul> <li>Monitor and identify weeds and record type and location.</li> <li>Control young weeds by hand pulling, hoeing or flaming.</li> <li>Aerate turf, de-thatch if needed, overseed with appropriate variety of grass seed.</li> <li>Avoid mowing stress: mow high (2.5-3 inches),</li> </ul>		12	13	14	15	16	17
mow often, mow when turf is dry, and keep mower blade sharp.  • Improve weed management by installing mowing strips, raising fencing to allow line trimmer access, repairing pavement cracks, and altering traffic patterns to reduce compaction.	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
<ul> <li>OTHER PESTS</li> <li>Ground squirrels: control adults now before the young can support themselves.</li> <li>Non-turf: monitor emerging weed seedlings and control.</li> </ul>	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
<ul> <li>All weeds: summer annuals are growing in Southern California and germinating in Central and Northern California. The best time to control is when they are still small.</li> </ul>	RECORD OF MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES						
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2007
April
Yellowjackets







### Yellowjacket queens emerge from hibernation and begin building nests and laying eggs.

		Yellowjack
Nests are below	w ground.	Rinse recyclables.
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	or water traps to establish nests ar .s.	

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- Use protein-containing baits, such as cat food or turkey ham this month and throughout early spring. Switch to sugar-based traps in summer and fall.
- Locate yellowjacket nests during the day and then return in the evening to carefully remove nests.
- Place traps away from areas frequented by students.
- Empty and clean garbage containers and lids frequently.
- Wash out recyclable cans and bottles.

#### **OTHER PESTS**

- Rats: Remove vegetation near buildings that provide shelter and travel bridges.
- Gopher: Populations increasing! Continue trapping as needed.
- **Ants:** Switch outside baits to a sugar base.

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#### **RECORD OF MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES**

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